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May 2019 Monthly Bulletin

Welcome to the monthly bulletin from the Town of Bow. As part of our commitment to keep citizens informed and involved in the community, we hope you find this information to be useful. Follow the <u>public meeting</u>

<u>schedule</u>. Sign up for text and email notifications through <u>NotifyMe</u>®. <u>Follow</u> Bow Police, Recreation, and Library on social media.



Town Manager's Report

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Spring is here and there is a lot going on in Town. You will find reports and information on a whole host of things that are happening in this issue of the *Bulletin*.

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As always, please contact my office, a member of the Board of Selectmen, or any of our Departments if you

have any questions or concerns on anything that is going on as far as Town operations. You can also find a ton of information on the Town's website: www.bownh.gov



Bow Police Department

Bow Police are conducting ATV patrols throughout the Town on a Fish & Game Grant. Please comply with all Fish & Game rules and regulations concerning ATV/OHRV.

Important Reminder

Bow Police has a Drug Take Back secured container in the Foyer of the Safety Center for your use 24/7. Please, put the pills in a zip lock bag and place them in the grey box in the Foyer. No needles or liquids.

Best Buddies

Officer Phil Goodacre participated in a Best Buddies "Touch A Truck" at the State Capital on Saturday.



Bow Police participating in the Touch a Truck program. Photo Courtesy of Bow Police Department



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Department of Public Works

Goodbye Snow and Hello Spring!

The Highway Division has been busy with "Spring Cleaning". You may have noticed some of the sidewalks in Town have been swept; tree limbs and debris ave been picked up form the public parks and cemeteries; and bark mulch Mulch has been layed out throughout all of the public buildings.

The Fleet Division looks forward to the change of seasons as they pack away plow equipment and prepare mowing and digging equipment for the summer seasonal projects.

With final touches having been made on the newly purchased truck for the Parks and Grounds Division, and a transformation from the Parks & Recreation snowblower into a lawn mower, it is now time to MOW!

The Parks and Grounds Division is gearing up and getting he playing fields ready for play! Sometimes, due to the wet conditions of the fields early in a sports season s decision is made to close certain fields for the safety of the children and the to avoid damage to the fields. the Bow Athletic Club has donated funds to install subsurface drainage at Gosling Field to help drain the field. Thank you, BAC and thank you all for your patience!



Bow Recreation Summer Day Camp is Moving

Due to maintenance projects at the Bow High School and the Bow Memorial School, our annual Summer Day Camp will be held at the Bow Elementary School. Tentative entrance will be the back of the gym.

Thank You!

We would like to thank the Bow Men's Club for the delicious breakfast served at the Annual Bow Recreation

Easter Egg Hunt. Thank you to the Bow High School Interact Club, the Easter Bunny and Bowgie, for all of your help before, during and after the Hunt. It is so wonderful how our community comes together to make our events so special! Thank you to all who joined us!

May & June Activities

Still time to register for our May & June Programs. Check out our brochure.

Summer Recreation Flyer

Be on the lookout for our other Summer Camps, Fitness and Activities Flyer. Our Program Coordinator, Anne-Marie Guertin, is working on a fun summer! Registration for all our programs is first come/first served and many will fill up! You will be able to find our flyer on the town website in May.

T-Ball and Lacrosse

We have limited openings for T-Ball ages 3/4 and 4/5 and Lacrosse for ages 4/5. Stop in or give us a call.

Check out our Face Book Page (Bow Parks & Recreation) This page is updated regularly to keep you informed of "Parks & Recreation Happenings" here in Bow.



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A Note from the Library Trustees

Thank You, Lori!

Our library director, Lori Fisher, is setting off on a new adventure of her own. This month the Library Trustees and the library staff are announcing that Lori will be leaving Baker Free Library and joining the New

Hampshire State Library staff. While we know that Lori's talents and librarianship will now greatly benefit all of the state, we announce Lori's departure with some mixed feelings because of the tremendous work she has done to enrich and expand the services of the Baker Free Library through her dedication in bringing about the funding and construction of the library's lower level, through her outreach to our Bow schools, through her enthusiasm in growing the summer reading activities, and through her support in making our library a gathering place for all of us.

In mid May, Lori will begin her new position as Administrator of Library Operations - Assistant State Librarian. We expect Lori's experience and talents will benefit the State Library in much the same way as Baker Free Library has benefited under her leadership. We wish Lori all the best with her new position.

Baker Free Library

Changes to Trustee Board In April we said "goodbye" to Christine Carey, Library



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Trustee. Chris was instrumental as a trustee during our final push for the Lower Level Renovation fund raising, and served as Chair of the Library Board during 2018-19. Her work ethic and ability to tackle a wide variety of challenges will be missed by the Board and staff!



David Withers Library Board Treasurer presents Christine Carey, departing Library Trustee, with a token of appreciation. Photo by Eric Anderson

Welcome back to Eric Anderson, who was elected Library Trustee at March Town elections! Eric served as a Library Trustee in the late 1990's, during the push to do the addition and renovation to the library (that was completed in 1999-2000). We are happy to have his expertise and institutional memory back on the Board.

FREE community yoga classes on Sunday May 19, Saturday, June 1, and Sunday June 30. Through a collaboration with Yoga NH, the library is pleased to offer FREE 1-hour yoga classes each month to Bow residents and library card holders! These classes are suitable for all levels, and the classes for May & June will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, May 19, 2019, Saturday, June 1, 2019, and Sunday, June 30, 2019. We'll be taking a hiatus for the summer, but then will be back with community yoga classes in September. If less than three people are registered to attend within 48 hours of class start time, we will cancel class (notifications on the library web site and Facebook page). Non-Bow residents can attend for a fee of \$12 per class. Pre-registration and payment is required through http://yoganh.com/. We CANNOT accommodate drop-ins for non-Bow residents, so registration and payment is required prior to the class through the Yoga NH web site.

Classes are held in the Library's Merrimack County Savings Bank Room in the Lower

Level. Because these classes are being held outside of library operating hours, participants will need to enter through the Lower Level door near the handicapped parking and ramp. Bow residents, please register in advance by contacting info@bakerfreelib.org or calling 224-7113. Thank you to Yoga NH for giving back to the Bow community as part of their paid use of our facilities for events and workshops! If this is your first time attending our community classes, please arrive by 8:45 am so that you have time to fill out the liability waiver and get set up. Namaste!

Summer Reading Program Kick-Off Party

Our annual Summer Reading Kick-Off party will take place on Friday, June 21 from 4:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.! This year's theme is "A Universe of Stories," and we'll be featuring Astronaut Training Camp activities at our Kick-Off party. All ages can participate (those children who cannot yet read on their own can participate in our year-round 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program). Come enjoy dinner and re-connecting with your neighbors and friends! Questions? Call the library at 224-7113 or email_info@bakerfreelib.org.

Library Closures in May

The Library will CLOSE EARLY at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 24 for the annual carpet cleaning of the facility, and will remain CLOSED through Memorial Day. May 27. We'll reopen at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 28. There will be no meeting room reservations accepted for any meeting rooms beginning at 7:00 a.m. Saturday, June 25 through 11:00 p.m. on Monday, May 27.



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Heritage Commission

The Bow Heritage Commission announces new Thursday hours for the Baker Heritage Room.

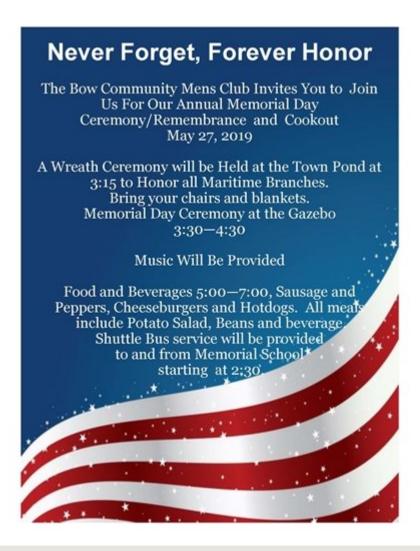
The 2nd Thursday of each month, the Baker Heritage Room will be open from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. to accommodate students. The 3rd Saturday of each month will remain 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Heritage Members continue their Education Efforts

Gary Nylen recently attended the Genealogy of Scots Irish Immigrants Seminar in New England, held at the NH Historical Society. Sue Wheeler recently attended a seminar in Manchester at Nackey S. Loeb School of Communications, Telling your Family Story. Visit with Sue and Gary at the Baker Heritage Room and discuss your families' genealogy. The Bow Heritage Commission appreciates input regarding hours of operation, and staffing, volunteers are always welcome.

Our current project is creating a map of historic Bow Mills as it appeared prior to 1957 when it was destroyed by Construction of I-93 and I-89. If you remember that time the Bow Heritage Commission would appreciate hearing from you, especially as to who lived where and what life was like. If you have photos they will be copied and returned. Contact Gary Nylen 603-496-5329 or Faye Johnson 603-228-8149.

Stay tuned for a new and improved Heritage Commission page on the Town website.



From the Solid Waste & Recycling Committee

Pinard Waste, the Town's waste and recycling hauler, is working with the Solid Waste and Recycling Committee to come up with a modification of our current approach to recycling. The Town has allowed Pinard the flexibility to respond to market pressures accordingly, in keeping up with trying to find the best solution.

Pinard will be conducting a trial over the next few weeks that will involve using one truck to remove the solid waste and recycling carts. The trial is being run to see what cost savings the Town may realize, until the market for recyclables stabilizes and we can continue the recycling program.

An informational article from the Committee is posted on the Town's website (Recycling article). The article contains links to valuable information as to steps that recyclers can take to help to bring the market back. These include better cleaning, and sorting, of recyclables by residents.

Please contact the Town Manager's office with any questions that you may have. Together, we can do this.

This is the link to the full informational article



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